

WIFE SAVERS

By Mrs. Mary Morton

Always use a good quality of soap and lukewarm water when washing silk stockings. They should never be put through the clothes wringer, but allowed to dry slowly hanging up by the toes.

Bran Muffins.—Mix two tablespoons black molasses, one teaspoon soda, one teaspoon salt, two cups sour milk, one well beaten egg, one tablespoon melted butter, one cup sifted flour and three cups of bran. Beat well and bake in buttered muffin pans about one-half hour.

Rye-Popovers.—Mix and sift two-thirds cup rye meal, one-third cup flour and add one cup milk, two well beaten eggs and one teaspoon melted butter. Turn into hot buttered iron popover pans and bake in a hot oven about forty-five minutes.

Sweet Potato Waffles.—Mix one cup mashed cooked sweet potato, one cup sifted flour, one-quarter cup sugar, one-half cup melted butter, one cup milk, one well beaten egg yoke, and then fold one egg white beaten stiff, with one teaspoon baking powder.

Cook in a greased waffle iron over a rather quick fire.

For emptying contents of vacuum cleaner bag use one of the large paper bags in which the "cash and carry" grocers place purchases. Hold the bottom of the paper bag tightly to the floor by placing a fold on either side. Insert large opening of cleaner bag in upturned paper bag, gently shake down all the dust. Very little, if any, will escape into the room. Fold over top of bag and burn.

Polished painted furniture that has become shabby will need a good washing down, then when dry a fresh coat of enamel. It is a good idea to touch up shabby places first, then when they are dry to give the whole piece a fresh coat. If the furniture is to be used in a nursery, where little finger marks are going to show, paint the furniture, giving it first a filling or priming coat. When that is dry, make any decoration desired, then use a good waterproof varnish. Finished in this way, the marks that

appear from day to day may be washed off with a soft cloth wrung out of soapy water. Afterward polish the pieces with a dry cloth.

One of the keen desires of every young housewife is to possess an adequate supply of table linen, but when so many other things are needed one hesitates to expend the amount that is necessary for such a supply. If purchases are made carefully and a few good pieces are bought at a time rather than a larger number of inferior ones, the beginning housekeeper will have achieved her desire in two or three years at two-thirds the usual expense. Linen sales at the first of the year and occasionally throughout the year afford an opportunity to buy good materials at a reduction. Often there are only a few pieces of a kind left, some are slightly soiled and therefore less attractive to the ordinary buyer, and the merchant wishes to clear out his shelves for new materials. In every factory there are a few linens that are not bleached perfectly. These are saved until the end of the year and are offered to the dealer at the cost of the raw product. After being laundered once or twice they are altogether as desirable as the full-priced article.

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SPOTLIGHTS ON SPORT

by JACK KEENE

The annual "few" have been chosen from the many called for tryouts with the big-league ball clubs. Of course the canning bee will continue until the final pruning date, May 16, but most of the major league ball club managers have already sorted most of the wheat from the chaff and unripe stalks.

Here are the lucky youngsters that have retained their places at the dinner table of the major clubs, to date:

American League
Yankees—Earl Combs, outfielder; Autrey and Urban, catchers, and Gaston, pitcher.
Indians—Sampter Clarke, Gully, and Pat McNulty, outfielders; Joe Shaute, Meterer and Lindsey, pitchers.
Tigers—Burke, young second sacker, and Whitehill, pitcher.
White Sox—Admiral Martin, infielder; Steengrafe and Lyons, pitchers; Rabbitt and Oestergard, outfielders; Crouse and Burns, catchers.
Browns—Rego, catcher; Voight, pitcher, and Riee, infielder.
Red Sox—Dudley Lee, shortstop; Gros, infielder; Ike Boon, outfielder; Fahr, pitcher.
Athletics—Max Bishop, second baseman; Meeker and Baumgartner, pitchers; Strand and Simmons, outfielders.
Washington—Martina and Wingfield, pitchers; Prothro, infielder; Smith, outfielder.

National League
Giants—Sean, Bradshaw, Maun and Baldwin, pitchers; Wilson, outfielder; Lindstrom and Terry, infielder.
Cinci Reds—Tom Sheehan and Jake May, pitchers.
Cubs—Charley Adams, Vogel' and Michael, infielders; Bill Jacobs, pitchers.
Pirates—Kremer and May, pitchers; Grenn Wright and Moore, infielders.
Cardinals—Bell, infielder; Vick, catcher; Douhitt, outfielder.
Dodgers—Johnny Jones, shortstop; Klugman, infielder; Long, Yarrison and Green, pitchers; Loftus, outfielder.
Braves—Lucas, Lansing and Yeargin, pitchers; Leffler, infielder.
Phillies—Helgeth, infielder; Liepe, pitcher.

Those who knew Harry Davis when the Athletic first sacker was in his prime say that Paul Strand, slugging outfielder who is booked to shine with the Madmen this year, resembles Harry in size, manner of playing, and especially in his stand at the plate and swing at the ball.

The Phils have farmed out Leonard Metz, shortstop, to Waterbury in the Eastern league, but Manager Fletcher says the youngster will be recalled later for another examination. Metz was purchased from the Grand Island team of the Nebraska league last year.

Fred Luderus, former Philly star and now managing the Oklahoma team, says that Joe Brown, his rookie pitcher, will be in demand by big league scouts before next fall rolls around. Which news ought to boost railroad traffic toward Oklahoma City.

If at first you don't succeed—as an infielder—try out as a pitcher. That's the way Joe Lucey, who once aspired to be a Yankee shortstop, has rewritten the old saying. Joe is now a promising pitcher with the Jersey City team.

California has its eye on the Cincinnati infield, for Sam Bohne, Pinelli, Cavency, Ponessa, and a newcomer named Begley, all hail from the land that is supposed to have the most perfect weather.

OUCH!

A farmer sat on his porch steps one morning doing exercises with his fingers in the hope of driving the rheumatism out of his finger joints. A city chap happened to be passing at the time, and said to himself: "This poor old farmer is deaf and dumb."

So, as he was thirsty, he took out some paper and a pencil, wrote "Will you sell me a quart of fresh cool milk?" and handed the note over the fence.

The farmer stopped his finger exercises, read the note, got up without a word and went into the house. He was back in a minute with a full pitcher.

The city chap drank the milk and wrote "How much?" on another slip of paper.

For answer the farmer held up five fingers three times. The city chap paid him, nodded and started off. But as he was passing out of the gate he

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